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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-70-82

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION

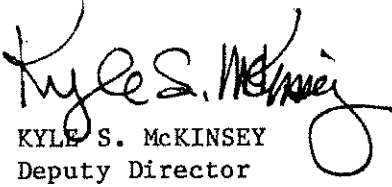
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On June 7, 1982, after more than a year's delay, the federal Department of Health and Human Services approved California's Emergency Assistance (EA) Program amendments to California's AFDC plan. Because the State Legislature has mandated immediate program implementation, the Emergency Assistance Program must be in place on July 1, 1982.

Implementation of the Emergency Assistance Program is required by Sections 11250.5 and 11406.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. Section 11250.5 mandates EA implementation to fund a portion of the nonfederal AFDC-U program. Section 11406.5 requires EA implementation to provide services to prevent the need for out-of-home placement of children and to provide short term emergency out-of-home care when necessary.

In accordance with this legislation, the Emergency Assistance Program contains two components: 1) Emergency Assistance - Unemployed Parent and 2) Emergency Assistance - Abused, Neglected and Exploited Children. The unemployed parent component will provide for initial aid payments to families who qualify for the nonfederal AFDC-U program. The abused, neglected and exploited children component will provide assistance in three areas: emergency shelter care placement; emergency foster care placement and family services. Family services include emergency in-home caretakers, respite care, parent education, transportation, information and referral and social work services.

We will provide you with detailed program eligibility requirements and claiming instructions as soon as possible. Thank you for your assistance in expediting the implementation of this program.


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